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By gpc 3/3/08

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mrs. Shih

As requested by General Haig, I called Mrs. Shih at around 10:00 a.m. this morning to inform her that Bob Hope had applied for a visa through the PRC Embassy in Ottawa and that we had also endorsed his request for a trip to China through the Paris Channel. I reminded her that Dr. Kissinger had mentioned Mr. Hope's desire for a visit but that we wanted them to be aware of what had been done and also wished to know if there was anything else that Hope or we should do to ensure that his request received consideration. I indicated that Mr. Hope had hoped to leave fairly soon for the visit. Mrs. Shih was very friendly and indicated that she would bring this matter to the attention of the Ambassador. She would call us back if there were something further that we should do.

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